

To my very dear friend, Hikaru Katayamma.

A Teaching

There is a time for change you see, it comes to every life
When working with life's pleasures, they can countermand much strife
A choice of wants between the few, you find the one that's close
The feeling of the one within, as you will not oppose
To form a bond, a friendship with, your soul so you will be
As one together in one mind, your spirit guide can see
When finding that which molds you so, and forms your inner self
A Wolf, a Bear, a Fox could be the one that shows itself
The Wolf, as he has shown to me, the path that I must take
My promise to his strength I gave, and this I will not break
But Katayamma's Bear has shown, a power deep inside
His gifts and words forever owned, for times we even cried
Yet Kata, you have given much, asked little in return
And taught this Wolf more than you know, yes more I'll ask to learn
The Polar Bear who follows you, is testing you each day
But Kata, he will show his hand, as he will not betray
His plan for you may not be known, the tests may never end
The Bear he holds you very close, you know he is your friend
I feel he has a special time, to open up to you
For at that point, all will clear; your times will not be blue
So, please my friend I hope you hear, the time that he may speak
The Bear has bound himself with you, and never will be weak